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pox is reported in several places in his district, he has instructed the consular agent at Clarenceville that vessels leaving that port for the United States must have bills of health.

The Department has directed the commercial agent to make a detailed report in the matter to await specific instructions before requiring bills of health.

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

[Inclosure.]

STANBRIDGE, QUEBEC, CANADA, May 30, 1901.

SIR: As smallpox is reported in several places in my consular district, I have this day instructed my consular agent at Clarenceville to see that all vessels clearing from his port are provided with a bill of health before their departure for the United States.

Respectfully,

FELIX S. S. JOHNSON, United States Commercial Agent.

Hon. Assistant Secretary of State.

COLOMBIA.

Report from Bocas del Toro—Fruit port.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, June 12, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the following report of the transactions at this port for the week ended Tuesday, June 11, 1901, inclusive: The following vessels have cleared from this port during the week, and I inclose herewith the triplicate certificates for same; also 5 passenger certificates (duplicates): June 5, Norwegian steamship Banes, Tronstad, master; crew, 16; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala.; Norwegian steamship Colombia, Hertzberg, master; crew, 17; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala. June 8, Norwegian steamship Kitty, Mortinsen, master; crew, 18; Dr. R. W. O'Donnell, medical officer, assigned to ship by the Louisiana State board of health; 5 passengers; 7 pieces of baggage; for New Orleans, La.; Norwegian steamship Simon Dumois, Nieuwjaar, master; crew, 15; no passengers; for Mobile, Ala. The health of this port remains good. The weather is warm and somewhat oppressive, although there have been frequent showers of rain.

Respectfully,

PAUL OSTERHOUT, Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

COSTA RICA.

Reports from Port Limon—Fruit port.

PORT LIMON, COSTA RICA, June 15, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended June 15: Inspected and cleared, June 8, barge Atlas, for New Orleans; crew, 12; tug C. W. Morse, for New Orleans; crew, 24. June 13, steamship Olympia, for New Orleans; crew, 39. June 14, steamship Hispania, for New Orleans; crew, 22. June 15, steamship Venus, for New Orleans. None of these carried passengers; triplicates of the certificates given their masters are inclosed. June 10, cleared steamship Alene, for New York, with 14 passengers.